

**From:** [Saric, James](#)  
**To:** [John Kern](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Informal discussion early Tuesday Morning  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2013 9:51:00 AM

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Funny. This is going to be an interesting fishing season. I bet we go from winter to summer and bypass spring. The lake my parents live on in northern WI is still frozen. It's only 350 acres and we have owned it more than 30 years. The lake has never been frozen for the WI walleye opener (May 4). There is still 12 inches of ice on the lake. I think it will be frozen. Unbelievable!

I think Tim Glover will be fine. I just want to make sure all of you can have regular discussions. It seems like there is a lot of emails whipping around and effort being wasted setting up meetings. I told John Canar and Chuck this, and I am going to reiterate to GP. The issues regarding SWAC and fish trends need to be resolved and completed well before 5/21. Otherwise, we will be in dispute. Technically the revised FS report is due to EPA on 5/21.

Jim

-----Original Message-----

From: John Kern [<mailto:jkern@kernstat.com>]  
Sent: Tuesday, April 23, 2013 9:30 AM  
To: Saric, James  
Subject: Re: FW: Informal discussion early Tuesday Morning

Jim,

Steve didn't get in touch yet, but Cynthia got back to me promptly via phone, so that may be Steve's way of getting in touch. I'm giving benefit of the doubt until we see who is on the call.

She specifically requested that Tim Glover be involved referring to him as their statistician. I can't speak to who would be best for GP to have involved, but it seems that they want Tim and Cynthia there.

That's about it at the moment....although I also know that they are still driving on our lakes up around Bemidji and points north, so it might be a good year to catch some Muskies still in the shallow weeds come opener!

Although they may be ice fishing on the Walleye opener.

On 4/23/2013 8:55 AM, Saric, James wrote:

> John,

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> Did Steve Ellis get back to you. I need to know because I am trying to get ahold of Garret Bondy and find a better, more efficient way to get meeting scheduled. I would think that from the GP/AMEC side that Steve Ellis is the key player for any informal discussion. I need to let AMEC/GP know that their key people need to respond to emails, etc.

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> Thanks

> Jim

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: John Kern [<mailto:jkern@kernstat.com>]

> Sent: Tuesday, April 23, 2013 8:42 AM  
> To: Draper, Cynthia E  
> Cc: John Kern (kernstat@gmail.com) (kernstat@gmail.com); Glover, Tim;  
> Griffith, Garry T.; Fortenberry, Chase; Bondy, Garret E; Ellis, Steve;  
> Saric, James; Bucholtz, Paul (DEQ)  
> Subject: Re: FW: Informal discussion early Tuesday Morning  
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> Hi Cynthia,  
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> I haven't heard from Steve Ellis yet, so no scheduled time. With more of us participating we will need a conference line. Can you set one up when Steve gets back to us? Or maybe if Steve isn't available we can proceed with you and Tim. I'm really just guessing at who best to be involved on your end. That is up to you folks of course.  
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> John  
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> On 4/23/2013 8:31 AM, Draper, Cynthia E wrote:  
>> John  
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>> Tim Glover and I would very much appreciate participating in the informal discussion described below. Could you please inform us of the time and call-in information. The only time we cannot participate is from 2:30 to 3:30 pm eastern time today.  
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>> I will be happy to provide a call in number if needed. Just let me know.  
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>> Thanks  
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>> Cynthia  
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>> Office 770 421 3565  
>> Cell 770 642 0289  
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>> -----Original Message-----  
>> From: Fortenberry, Chase [<mailto:LCFORTEN@GAPAC.com>]  
>> Sent: Monday, April 22, 2013 4:29 PM  
>> To: Bondy, Garret E; Draper, Cynthia E  
>> Subject: Fw: Informal discussion early Tuesday Morning  
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>> L. Chase Fortenberry  
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>> Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Device  
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>> ----- Original Message -----  
>> From: Fortenberry, Chase  
>> Sent: Monday, April 22, 2013 01:13 PM  
>> To: 'saric.james@epa.gov' <saric.james@epa.gov>; 'jkern@kernstat.com' <jkern@kernstat.com>; 'Steve.G.Ellis@amec.com' <Steve.G.Ellis@amec.com>  
>> Cc: 'bucholtzp@michigan.gov' <bucholtzp@michigan.gov>; 'canar.john@epa.gov' <canar.john@epa.gov>; 'roth.charles@epa.gov' <roth.charles@epa.gov>  
>> Subject: Re: Informal discussion early Tuesday Morning

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>> GP is fine with this  
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>> L. Chase Fortenberry  
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>> Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Device  
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>> ----- Original Message -----  
>> From: Saric, James [<mailto:saric.james@epa.gov>]  
>> Sent: Monday, April 22, 2013 12:54 PM  
>> To: John Kern <[jkern@kernstat.com](mailto:jkern@kernstat.com)>; Ellis, Steve  
>> <[Steve.G.Ellis@amec.com](mailto:Steve.G.Ellis@amec.com)>  
>> Cc: Paul Bucholtz <[bucholtzp@michigan.gov](mailto:bucholtzp@michigan.gov)>; Canar, John  
>> <[canar.john@epa.gov](mailto:canar.john@epa.gov)>; Roth, Charles <[roth.charles@epa.gov](mailto:roth.charles@epa.gov)>;  
>> Fortenberry, Chase  
>> Subject: RE: Informal discussion early Tuesday Morning  
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>> I am fine with this.  
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>> Jim  
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>> -----Original Message-----  
>> From: John Kern [<mailto:jkern@kernstat.com>]  
>> Sent: Monday, April 22, 2013 2:46 PM  
>> To: Ellis, Steve  
>> Cc: Paul Bucholtz; Saric, James; Canar, John; Roth, Charles;  
>> Fortenberry, Chase  
>> Subject: Informal discussion early Tuesday Morning  
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>> Hello Steve, John and Chuck,  
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>> I think it might be helpful for us to visit briefly if you have time (early tomorrow if possible) as I think I can  
provide a briefing on the analyses I've conducted to date (going back some years) and give you an overview of my  
take on several of the key issues. Right or wrong you will at least have my perspective available.  
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>> This would be an informal conversation covering things we've looked into over the years and things that seem  
fruitful for further investigation and others that may not. In-stream and terrestrial).  
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>> I have discussed this possibility with Paul B and he is supportive.  
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>> Please let me know if this is possible or if there are constraints we need to deal with regarding others  
participating. I think it would help to accelerate your efforts, or at least help focus next steps.  
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>> John  
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